

Randell Iwasaki, Interim Director of the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans)

Appointed by Governor Schwarzenegger in July 2004, Iwasaki is responsible for managing the day-to-day operation of California's state transportation system, including more than 50,000 lane miles of state highways stretching from Mexico to Oregon and from the Pacific Ocean to Nevada and Arizona.

A licensed civil engineer, Iwasaki has been with Caltrans for more than 20 years serving in a number of high profile engineering and management positions.

Prior to being named Interim Director, Iwasaki served as the Deputy Director for Maintenance and Operations, where he supervised nearly 6,000 maintenance employees and 1,600 traffic operations specialists. In addition, he was responsible for a 14,000-piece equipment fleet and Caltrans' New Technology and Research Program.